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Before STEVEN J. BARTLETT, *Appeals Program Manager*.

ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

On January 18, 2007, Appellants filed a Notice of Appeal. On March 19, 2007, Appellants filed an Appeal Brief. On October 8, 2008, Appeal No. 2009-000121 assigned and a Docketing Notice was mailed. On May 14, 2009, Appellants filed a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the appeal is dismissed.

This application is returned to the Examiner for such further action as may be appropriate.

If there are any questions pertaining to this Order, please contact the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences at 571-272-9797.

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